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ACTION OC-05

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R 072158Z APR 75
FM AMEMBASSY NASSAU
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6605
INFO COMPHIBGRU TWO
COMSECONDFLT
CINCLANTFLT NORVA
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USS MOUNT WHITNEY

C O N F I D E N T I A L NASSAU 575

E. O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ:COMMMUNICATIONS TRIAL WITH USS MOUNT WHITNEY

DEPARTMENT ALSO FOR RCO/ARA

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 1400 ZULU APRIL 2, EMBASSY ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED COMMUNICATIONS FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR WITH USS MOUNT WHITNEY ON 7535 KHZ. COMMUNICATIONS WERE EXCELLENT AND AMBASSADOR WEISS HELD CONVERSATION WITH COMPHIBGRU TWO.

2. IRONROD TEN (NLO AT EMBASSY) WAS UNABLE TO ESTABLISH COMMUNICATIONS ON 2716 KHZ. EMBASSY ASSUMES THIS WAS DUE TO PROPAGATION CONDITIONS AT TIME OF TEST AT THIS RELATIVELY LOW FREQUENCY.

3. TEST WAS A SUCCESS, BUT POINTED OUT EMBASSY INABILITY TO ESTABLISH SIMILAR COMMUNICATIONS IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION WITH CITY POWER CUT OFF AS EMBASSY HAS NO CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE STANDBY POWER TO EITHER EMBASSY KWM-2A TRANSCEIVER OR NLO RADIO EQUIPMENT.

4. INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY GENERATOR WITH SHIELDED ENCLOSURE WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR CY-75 WILL EVENTUALLY ELIMINATE PROBLEM FOR KWM-2A TRANSCEIVER. HOWEVER, WE STRONGLY URGE
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THAT EMBASSY BE PROVIDED WITH SMALL GENERATOR SIMILAR TO

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MILITARY TYPE PE-75 WHICH WOULD PROVIDE POWER FOR NLO RADIO
EQUIPMENT IN AN EMERGENCY AND WOULD ENABLE US TO MAINTAIN
COMMUNICATIONS WITH OTHER ISLANDS.
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